

Continuing Education (CE) Committee Terms of Reference

Composition

The Committee of 6-7 is comprised of a combination of the following, of which 1 is designated Chair and 1 Secretary:

- A rural or regional psychologist
- An early career psychologist
- A private practice psychologist
- A public sector psychologist
- An interest group psychologist
- A student representative
- A diverse population psychologist

General committee mandate

To work with staff in developing and delivering CE opportunities for the membership, and providing support for the development of regional and interest groups through targeted CE opportunities.

General committee duties

- Provide guidance for staff in offering appropriate workshops for the membership, and brainstorming on the parameters of CE opportunities.
- Support the training and CE needs of APNS' active Interest groups (CAP-I and ECP). e.g., Identify (survey) on key needs and priorities; other issues specific to each: venues, effective communication, sharing information, tracking group membership, mentoring, effective delivery of sessions, etc.
- Assist in the development and CE support of new Interest groups based on the information collected from the Member Form. e.g., Based on APNS data, identify 3-5 main categories of interest (assessment, trauma, older populations, couple, rural issues), outreach and calls for interest, follow above process as per existing groups above.
- Assist in the development of regional groups through regional contacts to provide a base for offering region-based CE. Based on APNS data, identify leaders in each region; outreach; survey; focus group; areas of geographical overlap vs interest groups.
- Encourage the participation of APNS members presenting sessions on their special expertise. Develop parameters and actions.
- Develop content for the above groups that can be delivered at low cost and can provide the basis of a library of offerings, e.g. use smart phone technology to record brief sessions, on-line services for group meetings where various members speak on a topic, etc.
- Offer ways of using technology to sharing resources and information through a centrally-based on-line system.